

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED  
EXAMINING GROUP 1647

PATENT

Attorney Docket No. 08702.0100-00000

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
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WOLFMAN et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1647  
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Application No.: 10/071,499 ) Examiner: WOODWARD, Cherie  
) Michelle  
Filed: February 8, 2002 )  
) Confirmation No.: 3454  
For: MODIFIED AND STABILIZED )  
GDF PROPEPTIDES AND USES )  
THEREOF )

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Sir:

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed May 10, 2006, and pursuant to  
37 C.F.R. § 1.116, Applicants request amendment of this application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** follow the amendment sections of this paper.

**Attachments** to this amendment include:

Attachment A: Bellinge et al., *Animal Genetics* 36:1-6 (2004)

Attachment B: alignment of human and mouse GDF-8 propeptide  
sequences

Attachment C: alignment of human GDF-8 and BMP-11 propeptide  
sequences

DO NOT ENTER  
Cheryl Woodward  
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## Electronic Acknowledgement Receipt

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